

**OHIO WEATHER FORECAST**  
Increasing cloudiness followed by rain or snow late tonight or Wednesday. Warmer tonight and in east portion Wednesday.  
Maximum temperature today, 36 at noon; minimum 18 at 4 a. m.

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## ROW OVER BARN FIRES IS MURDER CAUSE

### City Pay Slashing Plan Fails

#### SALARY CUT MOVE KILLED BY TIE VOTE

Rohn Declines to Cast Ballot as  
Deadlock is Reached

BUDGET GOES THRU INTACT

Reduction for Bingham, Elimination of Engineer Lose

Financial retrenchment policy proposed Monday night by commissioner J. J. Rankin, carrying a \$2,000 salary reduction for City Manager C. A. Bingham, was blocked in the offering by the passage of the 1934 budget program proposed by Bingham.

The budget of \$403,016 for 1934 operating expenses, was passed without a change after a bitter fight in commission chambers between the old and new guard.

Rankin and Mayor Earl Moyer carried their fight for reduction of the city's operating expenses against City Manager C. A. Bingham and Sever Engineer Darling.

In his program of economy, Commissioner Rankin fought with the support of Mayor Moyer for reduction of Bingham's salary from \$8,000 to \$6,000 a year and for elimination of the salary of engineer of the sewer department.

His plan proposed a saving of \$6,000 in the city budget, reducing it to \$377,016 for the year.

Salary reduction move against Bingham was taken by his supporters as the forerunner of other proceedings and the seating of a local citizen in the city manager's chair.

Commissioners Harold Cunningham and Ellis Jones went on record in favor of the past administration of Bingham and expressed confidence in the growth of the city under his leadership for the next two years.

Rohn voted against the salary reduction motion proposed by Rankin and seconded by Mayor Moyer who reproached his chairmanship to Commissioner Cunningham while he supported the stand of his colleague.

Rankin and Moyer extolled the need of salary reductions, but made no direct hint for unseating of Bingham.

Their program against the city manager, they announced, was but a part of the financial retrenchment policy to further reduce the operating expenses.

**ROHN TIES UP ACTION**  
Commissioner Earl Rohn, called the lack of the commission, made the deadlock between the two factions complete by refusing to vote on the motion automatically nullified the action and left the city manager's salary unchanged.

Procedural promises by both Rankin and Moyer who succeeded former Commissioner John Harley and H. L. Stokely, broke with a snap Monday night before the city council.

With reorganization of the 1924 budget of \$403,016, during the year, Commissioner Rankin fired his broadside plan by suggesting a salary reduction from \$8,000 to \$6,000 a year for the city manager.

A salary of \$6,000 a year is in line with the position and I figured Rankin said in his opening address which was greeted by a demonstration from the lobby.

When the second of the motion was made, Mayor Earl Moyer declared the chairmanship of the board of park commissioners.

The city commissioner should have a salary of \$10,000 a year, an increase of \$2,000 instead of the \$2,000 decrease as proposed in the motion before us," Commissioner Rankin declared as he delivered a lengthy speech from the chair.

Rankin said in support of Bingham's administration.

Lima has been placed on its feet since the bankruptcy of the commission said Commissioner Cunningham.

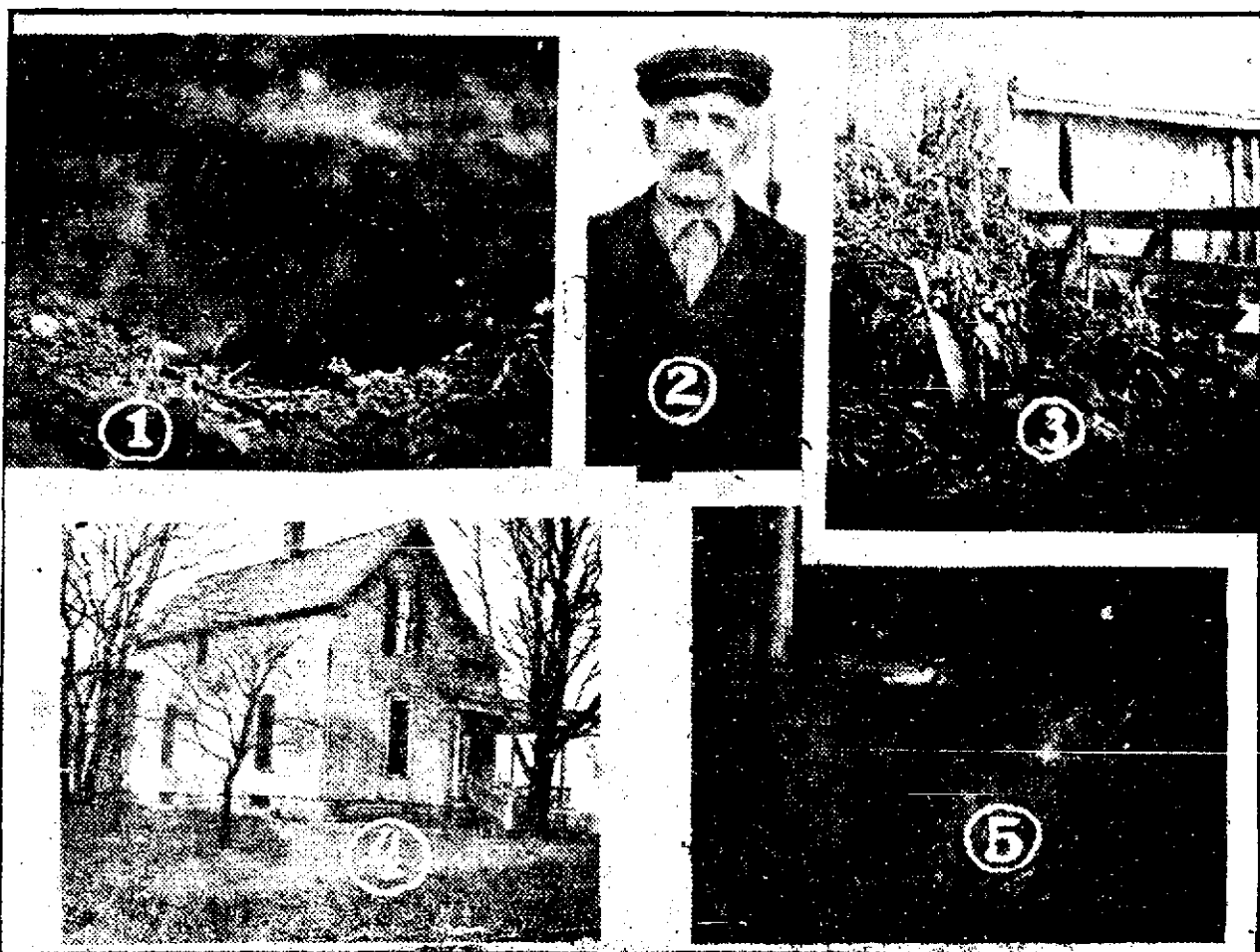
Rankin proposed to divide the salaries of the positions of sewer engineer and city engineer and placing all the work under the jurisdiction of the city engineer at his 1923 salary.

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### MANY ARE KILLED IN EARTHQUAKE

#### SCENES AT MOHLER MURDER FARM



Above are pictures made by The Lima News photographer Monday afternoon at the Mohler murder farm. No. 1 shows the shallow grave in the cow shed at the end of the barn. No. 2 shows John Betschen, neighbor, who claims credit for tipping off officers concerning the cistern and he is the last person outside of her husband who saw Mrs. Mohler alive. That

was Sunday. No. 3 shows the rear of the cow shed where the body was found. The grave was just beyond the spot where the piece of board has been torn from the wall. No. 4 is the Mohler home on the Findlay-rd. No. 5 shows the spot in the barn, near the entrance to the cow shed, where the murder took place. This spot was smeared with blood and was discovered Monday afternoon.

tensive sewer construction program, extension of the city corporation limits, increase of water pumping facilities and financial savings.

#### JONES PLEDGES AID

Commissioner Jones supported Cunningham and went on record in favor of the city manager plan of government instead of the old councilmanic order.

"If City Manager Bingham goes, and such is the feeling if the salary is sliced, who will take his place?" Jones asked as he faced the demonstration.

"I am for a constructive program instead of a destructive one. Salary reduction means elimination of Bingham and Bingham's passage means the death of the extensive program now being carried out.

"City Manager Bingham has saved us money. The annual budgets show that conclusively. A man who saves money and continues to build is the man we want and I favor leaving the salary where it is and keeping our present city manager.

With the vote split by the two factions the life of the question rested upon Commissioner Rohn who sprung a surprise by refusing to cast a ballot, which action automatically killed the first move of Rankin and Moyer.

"Has the question of salary reduction ever been taken up with Mr. Bingham?" Rohn asked before coming to a decision.

#### NOT CONSULTED

When informed by City Manager Bingham that none of the commissioners had consulted him as to his contemplated action in event of a salary reduction, Rohn said:

"As I see it this salary reduction plan is just the forerunner to unseat Manager Bingham.

"The question confronting the city today is not a question entirely of salary reductions but of efficient management.

"Bingham has given us that and the best policy for us to pursue is one of cooperation. Let's get together with the city manager and outline our work for the year.

"Being that Manager Bingham was not consulted in this matter I maintain the right of a neutral position and I refuse to vote."

#### STORM OF PROTEST

Storm of protest from Commissioners Cunningham, Jones and Rohn greeted the motion by Rankin for elimination of the position of sewer engineer.

Mayor Moyer descended from the chair and seconded Rankin's motion when the floor refused to do so.

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deavor to adhere to the pre-election promises of his constituents.

"The intercepting sewer is now under way and to take Mr. Darling off the job would be like cutting off throats," was one of the statements made by Jones.

In his defense of the present administration Commissioner Cunningham pointed out that the sewer construction program is a \$2,000,000 job and to keep the sewer engineer means a big saving for the city in that the work will be finished as planned.

**MOYER'S RETORT**  
"We can't save money to keep the lights going and keep the snow off the streets if we refuse to economize," Mayor Moyer retorted, as he resumed the chairmanship.

"It is only by keeping such efficient men in office as Mr. Darling, that we are able to have lights," Commissioner Rohn declared as he jumped to the floor.

"Lima has efficient men at its head, and it is those men alone who have kept the lights burning and the snow off the walks."

Acting on a motion by Jones and seconded by Cunningham for passage of the 1924 budget, Mayor Moyer voted for its passage unchanged.

"I know when I am licked," Moyer said, "so I will cast my vote for the passage of the budget."

Commissioner Rankin cast negative votes on the emergency clause and passage of the measure. Commissioner Jones, Cunningham, Moyer and Rohn supported the measure.

#### SHOOTS HUSBAND

Beat Him to the Draw, Says Los Angeles Woman

LOS ANGELES.—(United Press.)—"I simply beat him to the draw," said Mrs. Leila Rogers, arrested on charges of killing her husband today.

The woman said they quarreled frequently and during an argument after the husband had accused her of accepting attentions of other men, he threatened to shoot her. Both reached for weapons and she fired first, Mrs. Rogers said.

**A. H. DAY IS TO ENTER RACE FOR GOVERNOR**  
YOUNGSTOWN.—Arthur H. Day, of Cleveland, will enter the Republican race for governor.

Thomas McKee, who will be his campaign manager, here today, said formal announcement will be made in Cleveland in a short time.

McKee said he has just completed a tour of the state and finds sentiment strong for Day.

The former state senator believes he can swing the necessary votes and McKee said that he is the logical man now that Carmi Thompson is out of the race.

#### BANDIT IS SLAIN

Stolen Car Wrecks Fire Station When Driver is Shot

CHICAGO.—(United Press.)—With a mortally wounded automobile bandit at the wheel, a stolen taxicab crashed into a fire engine house here last night, overturning two stories and set the station on fire. The bandit died later in a hospital.

The bandit was shot by Patrolmen Fred Tsch and as he drove the stolen cab away.

With its driver unconscious, the cab careened down the street, struck the curb and crashed into the station. Several firemen narrowly escaped injury.

Before dying the bandit regained consciousness and said his name was Joseph MacDonald.

**BANK IS ROBBED**  
Holdup is Staged at St. Louis by Six Bandits

ST. LOUIS.—(Associated Press.)—In barely a minute, six armed men held up the West St. Louis Trust Co. today, fired several shots to intimidate bank employees and escaped in two automobiles with \$26,550. The robbery occurred just before the armored truck arrived to take the semi-weekly consignment of cash to the Federal Reserve Bank.

The bank is located in the central part of the city.

Earl Moeck, first vice president and secretary, said:

"Right after the fusillade one of the robbers called out 'If anybody catches that burglar alarm, we'll begin shooting in earnest. I thought they meant it and I called out 'Don't anybody touch the alarm.' I warned our boys not to try to follow them. They were too well armed."

Big buildings of modern construction which were badly damaged and in many instances still in partial ruin from the disaster of last September, were further damaged by today's tremor.

The cabinet went into session immediately after the earthquake to consider relief measures and to obtain information regarding the extent of the damage.

The stock market suspended operations owing to the failure of communication.

**PLANT DESTROYED**  
PORTSMOUTH.—Eighty men are thrown out of employment and damage estimated at \$150,000 to \$200,000 was done by a fire that destroyed the McDerment Stone Company's plant at McDermont.

**Victim Revived By Two Bandits**  
CLEVELAND.—(Associated Press.)—Two bandits, posing as telephone repairmen at the home of Mrs. Bertha Fulmer, Cleveland Heights, last evening delayed their departure with \$50 and \$1200 in jewelry to revive Mrs. Fulmer from a faint.

When she regained consciousness, both robbers were rubbing her temples with cold water, she said. When she stood up, the bandits fled with the jewelry and money. Mrs. Fulmer told police that a woman was in the automobile in which they escaped.

#### FIRE BREAKS OUT IN TOKIO AFTER SHOCK

Japanese Cities Are Again Hit by Great Disaster

TRAIN IS THROWN IN RIVER

Buildings Wrecked and Wire Communication Demoralized

(BULLETIN)  
WASHINGTON.—(United Press)—Fifty persons are estimated to have been killed in the earthquake which struck Tokio and Yokohama, Jefferson Caffery, charge d'affaires of the American embassy at Tokio, Japan, cabled the state department at 5 p. m. Japanese time.

**TOKIO**—(Associated Press)—Fifty persons are believed to have been killed in Tokio, Yokohama and the outside districts in today's earthquake while many persons were injured. No casualties among foreigners have been reported.

**OSAKA**—(Associated Press)—Fire is raging in the suburbs of Tokio, one train was thrown in a river at Banyugawa and six trains overturned between Botema and Tokio as a result of the earthquake which shook Tokio and the vicinity this morning.

The emperor and the empress, who were in the imperial villa at Numazu when the shock occurred, are reported safe. The villa was undamaged. The prince regent and Princess Nagako also were reported safe.

**SHANGHAI**—(Associated Press)—Houses were demolished at Numazu, on Suruga Bay, southwest of Tokio where the imperial villa is located and extensive damage caused throughout the territory in the vicinity by an earthquake this morning, according to reports from the Kobe railway bureau.

Almost complete demoralization of telephone, telegraph and railway communication lines in a belt extending from Tokio southwestward along the coast to Nagoya, at least nearly 200 miles away, is reported. Tokio and Yokohama are said to have been isolated for a short time after the earthquake was felt.

**600 HOUSES DESTROYED**  
TOKIO.—(Associated Press)—Six persons were killed and nearly 200 injured in Yokohama and four killed and at least 20 injured in Tokio by the second great earthquake disaster in five months to strike the two Japanese cities and vicinity this morning.

The statistics were given out by police.

One report stated that six hundred houses had been demolished in Yokohama.

Odawara, a city on Kawanu Bay, about 75 miles southwest of here, suffered the greatest damage from the tremor, as it did last September when vast sections of both Yokohama and Tokio and surrounding cities virtually were destroyed.

Water mains were ripped from their places and smashed by the quake and water flooded the streets and hundreds of homes in the two cities following the shock this morning.

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### CONFESSION AS MADE BY FARMER CLEARS MYSTERY

Mohler and Wife Had Row In Barn Before He Struck

Fatal Blows, Aged Man Tells County Officials

Tuesday—Saw and Axe Found Along Road

Murderer Explains How He Chopped Up Body to Bury

It After He Had Killed His Mate of 40 Years

—Officers Dig for Clues

An argument in the barn on the William Mohler farm over Mohler's connection with the barn fires on the Gratz farms was given Tuesday by the confessed murderer as the reason why he killed his wife Katherine.

In his second confession, given Tuesday to county authorities while they were returning from the place where the bloody axe and saw were found, he clears up the motive behind the gruesome affair.

He told of hitting his wife on the head with the axe and then, when he found the ground in the feeding shed too loose for the dismembering of the body, he placed her on an improvised chopping block and hacked and sawed her to pieces.

The saw and axe were found along the Dixie highway northeast of Bluffton near the road to Mt. Cory. The location was marked by a portion of a skirt which had been thrown over the fence into a corn field by Mohler while on his way to Fosteria.

Mohler was with the party at the time the implements were found and on the way back he decided to supplement his former confession by a new statement. He was taken to 407 S. Jackson-st where he gave officers full details of the killing.

**THIRD CONFESSION**  
Further details of a sensational character may be made by Mohler in a third confession, it was indicated by him while telling the officers of the quarrel in the barn.

"I will tell you something else later," he said.

During his confession he steadfastly denied having set fire to the barn on the Gratz farms. He made it plain that the fact that he and his wife had quarreled over the fire did not mean that he had committed the deeds.

John Betschen, neighbor, who claims credit for tipping off the officers regarding the murder, has been held by Mohler as the cause of his arrest, Sheriff Crosson said Tuesday.

"He is always nosing into my affairs," was the way Mohler put it on his way back from Wapakoneta officers said.

**INQUEST WEDNESDAY**  
Coroner's inquest has been announced for Wednesday at 10 a. m. At that time Coroner Frank Smith will hear the evidence and examine a number of witnesses. Witnesses have been subpoenaed.

While at the farm Tuesday Mohler looked after his live stock and made preparations to get a man and his wife to care for the place "until this trouble is over." He is laying plans to go to California later, he told officials.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday for Mrs. Katherine Mohler, victim of Bluffton's murder tragedy.

Services will be conducted from the Bluffton Methodist church, of which Mrs. Mohler was a member for 25 years, it was announced from Basinger's undertaking establishment in Bluffton where the remains were taken following their discovery late Sunday.

**PASTOR IN CHARGE**  
Rev. Ernest E. Cole, pastor of the church will have charge of the services and burial will be made to Maple Grove cemetery.

Prosecutor Lippincott said Tuesday afternoon that two prominent attorneys will be called in to examine Mohler. If they declare him to be sane, he will go on trial for first degree murder, Lippincott said. If they hold him insane, steps will be taken to commit him to an institution for the insane.

Lippincott said he would not take steps in either direction until after this examination has been made. He declared that he did not believe the prisoner is "right," but qualified it by saying that he is not qualified to pass judgment, not being an alienist.

In a paragraph of his new confession Mohler makes the following statement: "People will wonder why I did this; it takes an awful wicked man to do what I did, you know that, but they got me so unnerved that I couldn't help myself and I will tell you I didn't mean to do this when I kind of came to, but you don't know what a wife I had to live with; I had my daughter-in-law and my wife fought against me; they wanted to put me in the insane asylum here in town, so they could get my home, I was wild sometimes, and my wife, she conspired with me there and I didn't know what to do and I just thought maybe they meant that for my life; I would rather be dead or her dead and when we went out there, she said something and I didn't like it and I just picked up my hatchet and I hit her right side of the head; that is what I did; I was almost crazy myself, and so that is the

reason I did what I did. Now when my wife was good she was very good; but get her stirred up, why, then she was awful.

**INSANITY PLEA**  
This is taken as an indication that insanity will be his plea.

He declared in the same statement that his wife insisted on going to the barn with him that night. He said she declared that she would have to go with him to watch him, declaring that he might want to do something.

He said they had played dominoes in the house that evening and that they had had no trouble. It was about seven o'clock that he said he heard a noise and was going to the barn. His wife insisted on going and then after they were out was when she "started" on him.

He said his wife suspected him of using the barns and that she told him so, but that she told strangers that she didn't think he had done it.

**BOARD UNEARTHED**  
The blood stained board used by William Mohler in the murder of his wife, Katherine Mohler, 78, was unearthed Monday afternoon at the murder farm within 10 feet of the shallow cistern grave.

Shattered at one end by the force of the murderous blows, the board showed traces of gray hair and was covered with small blood stains. The part broken when Mohler killed his wife has not been found.

In the barn near the cow run where Mohler said he attacked his wife, searchers found a small step stained a dark red and when straw and fodder were removed a blood splattered wall showed plainly.

Gray hairs in the jagged edge of the murder board Mohler described in his confession showed Monday after lying in the barn since Sunday night, Dec. 30, the night the crime was committed.

John Betschen, the last male neighbor to see Mrs. Mohler before her dismembered body was discovered Sunday afternoon by searchers, said he and neighbors found the board secreted near the six foot shallow grave first discovered by searchers Sunday afternoon.

**FARM UNDER GUARD**  
Others in the party guarding the farm against the many persons visiting there from various cities substantiated the statement of Betschen about the finding of the board. It is being guarded and will be turned over to prosecuting officials.

The position of the step and the blood-smeared wall tends to indicate that when Mrs. Mohler fell after the first murderous blow that the blood flowed freely from the crushed skull and soaked into the small step.

Presence of blood on the wall is believed to have been caused when Mohler crashed the board twice against his wife's skull as she lay on the floor, part of her body in the cow run and the head resting on the small step.

It was generally believed Monday that Mohler hacked his wife's body at the same spot where he committed the murder but his confession disproves this theory.

Excavation in the yawning ditch, which served as the grave for the dismembered body of Mrs. Katherine Mohler was started Tuesday under supervision of county authorities in their search for Albert Mohler, demented son of the slain woman.

Residents of Bluffton abashed (Continued on page seven.)





# WEDNESDAY CLEARANCE NEWS!

**Children's School Shoes**  
Misses' and children's sizes 9 to 2. Brown and black calfskin, lace or button—Special, the pair . . . **\$1.69**  
Grown's and Growing Girls' **HIGH LACE BOOTS**  
Brown calf, flat or military heels—  
The pair . . . **\$2.85**  
1st Floor

**THE DEISEL CO.**  
*Lima's Big Store*

**Men's Part Wool Union Suits**  
Regularly \$2.50—Sizes are broken. Special, the suit . . . **\$1.98**  
**OTHER COTTON UNION SUITS**  
\$1.65 grades—\$1.39 \$1.50 grades—\$1.19  
1st Floor

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Aprons of all kinds—House Dresses and fancy Cotton Frocks are included. All beautifully made merchandise, in finest materials and styles. The prices at which we are offering this stock are actually less than the cost of the bare materials in the garments. See our Market Street window showing.

<b>Kitchen Aprons</b> Made of good quality gingham in black and white, blue and white and red and white checks. <b>29c</b>	<b>Polly Prim Aprons</b> Finest quality materials in plain and fancy colors. The popular Polly Prim styles and only 49c. <b>49c</b>	<b>Cover All Aprons</b> Wearable Percales—made up in fetching styles, all light colors, attractive overall models. <b>49c</b>	<b>Bungalow Aprons</b> Neatly made, excellent gingham and percales. Choose from attractive light and dark shades and many effective styles. Sizes 36 to 44. <b>78c</b>	<b>Fancy House Dresses</b> Finely made quality chainray and percale. Colors are pink, blue and green. Rick rack trimmed. Sizes 36 to 44. <b>\$1.28</b>	<b>Cotton Frocks</b> For House or street wear. Plain color and check gingham and chambray, Organdie and braid trimmed. Sizes 36 to 44. <b>\$1.48</b>
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**Silk Clearance**  
**Knitted Velvets**  
**\$2.98** The Yard  
Fashion's favored novelty fabric, colors and black.

**Canton Crepes**  
**\$2.69** The Yard  
40 inches wide, excellent all pure silk quality. Colors and black.

**Satin Face Cantons**  
**\$2.98** The Yard  
40 inches wide, beautiful, lustrous finish, black and ten good shades. Regular \$3.75 grade.

**Remnants Half Price**  
Silks and Woollens  
Wednesday Only  
1st Floor

**Cotton Goods!**  
**Bungalow Cretonnes**  
**19c** The Yard  
36 inches wide, big selection of desirable patterns and colors.

**Comfort Challies**  
**16c** The Yard  
Charming pattern effects in great variety, 36 inches wide.

**Scout Percales**  
**16c** The Yard  
36 inches wide, light and dark grounds for attractive patterns.

**Wool Mixed Blankets**  
**\$5.49**  
Our special, size 66x80, lovely plaid patterns. Fine soft finish.  
1st Floor

## OUR GREAT CLEAN-UP SALE OF ALL WINTER COATS

Unusual Clearance Values are offered Wednesday in Women's and Misses' Winter Coats in 4 large groups—Unusual because they are Deisel Quality Coats at prices indeed rare for that quality.



<b>Group No. 1—</b> <b>Winter Coats, Priced \$25 . .</b> Smart Coats in fine all wool Plaids and Mixtures. Belted or Loose back—full length models, silk lined throughout—Practical Coats for present and early Spring wear. <b>\$12<sup>50</sup></b>	<b>Group No. 2—</b> <b>Winter Coats, Priced \$30-\$35</b> Handsome Fur Trimmed Coats, many full silk lined—raight lined and wrappy styles—in Bolivias—Caracul loth—Armandales, etc. Women's and Misses' sizes 16 to 20 and 36 to 52. <b>\$14<sup>95</sup></b>	<b>Group No. 3—</b> <b>Winter Coats, Priced \$45-\$50</b> Desirable Coats of Silk Plush, fine Caracul and all Wool loths—Side Tie—Wrappy and Plain Tailored styles—lan and fancy lined Fur Collars—some with Fur Cuffs and Border. <b>\$24<sup>95</sup></b>	<b>Group No. 4—</b> <b>Winter Coats, Priced \$65-\$75</b> Exclusive models with large Fur Collars and Cuffs—lect from the finest cloths of the season—all Coats are full k lined in side tie, flare, draped front, belted or loose cks—splendid assortment for large women; sizes 16 to 50—originally \$49.75 to \$75. <b>\$39<sup>75</sup></b>
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**Regular \$12.75**  
**Top Coats**  
**\$5**  
Swagger Mannish Coats, loose and belted models. Plaids, diagonal weaves and mixtures. Coats for winter and early Spring.

**Remarkable Dress Values Offered In Wednesday Clean-Up Sale**  
Regularly \$15, \$18, \$19.75, \$22.75  
**9<sup>95</sup>**  
Of greatest interest in this offering are the fashionable New Dresses in Silk and Wool Check Combinations—Dresses suitable for street, business and dressy wear—many smart dresses for High School girls—Black and white checked Skirts with red, green or tan waists. Sizes 14 to 44.

**Regular \$85**  
**Fur Coats**  
**\$45**  
Sealine Coats and short Jaquettes of Fox, Ermine and Caracul Fur—Women's and Misses' sizes in white, tan, black.

**Underwear Clearance**  
**Children's Vellastic Union Suits**  
Special the Suit **95c**  
Sizes 2 to 16—Boys in Silver Grey, girls in pure white.

**Women's Outing Gowns**  
**89c**  
Slip-over and button front styles, plain colors and stripe patterns.

**Children's Outing Pajamas**  
**89c**  
Stripe outing, with frog fastenings. Sizes 2 to 14, regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 grade.

**Women's Union Suits**  
**89c**  
Medium weight, Grace lined, sizes 36 to 58 only. Low neck, no sleeves, ankle length.  
1st Floor

**Hosiery Clearance**  
**Women's Silk Hose**  
**\$1.19** The Pair  
Second quality of the best 22 house in America. Imperfections are very slight, full fashioned, plenty of black and a few colors. All sizes.  
**Women's Wool Hose**  
**99c** The Pair  
Not all sizes and not all colors in every size. Originally priced  
1st Floor

**Golconda Jewelry**  
Golconda Ring and other items in pretty jewelry, are still attracting wide attention. See our beautiful display of beads, all colors in chokers and medium lengths. All popular prices.  
1st Floor

**Linoleums \$1.05 sq. yard**  
Scores of patterns for our Spring stock are included in this special offer. All excellent quality linoleums in 2, 2½ and 4 yard widths. Special, the square yard  
**\$1<sup>05</sup>**

**Clearance—Small Rugs**  
**\$2.79 to \$17.50**  
27x54 and 30x72 inch sizes, Tapestry, Axminster, Velvet and Wilton Velvets.

**Fibre Rockers**  
Frosted brown finish, spring constructed seat, with loose spring cushion. Back and cushion upholstered in good grade tapestry—clearance priced.  
**\$16.75**  
Other Fiber Chairs and Rockers, \$15 to \$28.50  
3rd Floor

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MAKE YOUR SELECTION AND RESERVATIONS FOR SPRING WORK NOW  
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**Sensational January Clearance Sale**  
**THREE AMAZING GROUPS FOR TOMORROW**  
Light Colored Papers for  
Bedroom—**3<sup>c</sup>**—Kitchen  
Attic—**3<sup>c</sup>**—Hall  
Basement—**3<sup>c</sup>**—Closet  
(Sold Only with Border to Match)  
30 Inch Oatmeal Papers for Any Room  
Bedroom—**9<sup>c</sup>**—Chintz  
Florals—**9<sup>c</sup>**—Effects  
Satin Stripes—**9<sup>c</sup>**—Ceilings  
Two - Tone—**9<sup>c</sup>**—Borders  
Patterns—**9<sup>c</sup>**—(Per yard)  
A large Variety of Pretty Patterns for Every Room, Including  
Better Grade Bedrooms—**17<sup>c</sup>**—Brocade and Blended Effects  
Tapestry Patterns—**17<sup>c</sup>**—Varnished Tile Papers  
Grass Cloth Effects—**17<sup>c</sup>**—Embossed and Engraved Papers

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Buy Them By The Dozen  
Special deal of the Elf brand canned goods—All high quality and well known—Every housewife will purchase their reason's supply.  
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# WAR GAME WILL OPEN TOMORROW

## U. S. Navy Powers Clash in Maneuvers off Panama

WITH THE ATLANTIC FLEET OFF COLOM, Panama.—(United Press.)—The Atlantic entrance to the canal will be attacked at 6 a. m. tomorrow.

The message flashed thru the Panama navy, but the canal zone command for the great naval war games which will begin at sunrise tomorrow, shore stations, military and naval forces, and the fleet, are all in readiness.

The fleet, consisting of the battleships, cruisers, destroyers, and submarines, is now in the Pacific, and the Atlantic fleet is now in the Atlantic.

The fleet of war by the theoretical fleet, whose armada is now in the Caribbean today, clearing the way for the attack, brought an expression of the tremor of the fleet, the fleet of the Pacific, and the fleet of the Atlantic.

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arases from a score of nations got the first taste of the influx last night.

"Kelly's" biggest of the town's many cabarets, ran late last night while the American manager beamed on guests and worked a score of dancing girls imported from the states to a limit of endurance.

# WIFE WILL DEMAND \$250,000 HEART BALM

CLEVELAND — Mrs. Frances Shreve Dautel, charging that her husband's parents cooled his once ardent love, will go into court Friday with the demand that they pay her \$250,000 heart balm.

The plaintiff, a 32-year-old bride, is a step daughter of Charles Rigler, National League umpire. She has a baby boy, nine months old. The defendants are Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Joseph Dautel. Leopold Dautel is a wealthy retired contractor.

The husband, whose love Mrs. Frances Dautel says she has lost, is Robert Poe Dautel, 21.

# ESCAPED PRISONER CAUGHT

YOUNGSTOWN — James Shannon who with Joseph Gibbons saved his way out of jail here at night, was brought back from Puntisutawney, Pa.

# RUNNAGE SALE

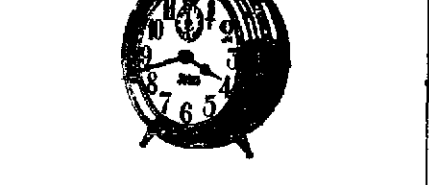
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# COMPANY HEAD RETIRES

AKRON — Retirement of M. O'Neill as president of the General Tire and Rubber Co., to become chairman of the board of directors was announced here. His son William F. O'Neill succeeds him as president.

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# FRENCH PLAN TO DOMINATE FAILS

## Nation Face to Face With Bankruptcy, Mason Says

### FRANC DROP BRINGS PANIC

#### Compared With Berlin Situation in Collapse of Mark

PARIS — (Associated Press) — The French cabinet acting today in the financial crisis caused by the phenomenal fall of the franc, decided to increase all taxes, direct and indirect, by 30 per cent. It also decided to reduce the recoverable budget in 1924 to five billion francs, which will be met by this new taxation.

The ministers agreed also to adjourn discussion of all bills before the parliament investigation additional expenditure such as measures for increase in pension.

The government likewise decided to place before the chamber Thursday a bill balancing the budget, putting the recoverable budget, heretofore met solely by loans, into the ordinary budget and meeting all this by actual government income.

The government will ask, immediately discussion of its measures and a vote on the question of confidence.

(BY J. W. T. MASON)

The sensational fall of the franc marks the collapse of Premier Poincaré's efforts to dominate Europe and sagely-handled crush the Germans. The pyramid of power in Paris is tottering. France is face to face with a bankrupt's realities.

The suddenness of the crisis is due to loss of confidence in the Poincaré ministry by French business men and financiers. They are selling their domestic securities and are investing in dollars, anticipating the deluge. Their aim is to get out from under the franc before its further depreciation. Poincaré hoped to win the election next spring, to safeguard his political future. The panic now under way, however, may get entirely out of hand and compel a ministerial change almost overnight.

**HURRIED MEETINGS**

The signs in Paris are the same as they were in Berlin at the beginning of the collapse of the mark. France has begun to arrest foreign speculators as Germany did; there are hurried meetings of financial officials, closing of exchanges is threatened, market quotations are being withheld. All these indications are meant to create an impression that conspirators are at work artificially to drive the franc down.

As a matter of fact, only one cause can depreciate any nation's currency. It is the same cause that destroys an individual's credit. It consists of paying out more money than is taken in. The French government is not paying its way. Taxation is not sufficient to meet expenditures.

The deficit for the coming year is estimated at 12,000,000,000 francs. In the face of this poverty-stricken sign, France has just loaned 300,000,000 francs to Czechoslovakia and 400,000,000 francs to Poland to bind those countries to her military allies. This is the Poincaré policy of matching empty coffers with preparations for another war.

Collapses has been inevitable from the first, for Premier Poincaré is a merchant who has added a new tax to his building to equal each year's deficit. By some temporary tricking it is barely possible the French government may arrest for the moment the franc's fall. But whatever device be taken can have only a temporary effect. There is no permanent cure for France, except to increase taxation and reduce the public indebtedness to a sum Germany can pay. The longer this is delayed the worse will be the catastrophe. The best sign that it may not be long delayed, is the desperate effort of French capital to get out of the country as German capital fled from Germany at the sign of the German mark. French financiers, aware of the inevitable, are upon them and the politicians must soon take place. For in the background is a (German) who predicted it as his happening.

# Many Declared Buried Alive

## VIENNA—(United Press)—Professor Leinlik, director of the Electrographic Institute, declared today he has definitely established that electrocution does not produce death, but merely a cataleptic state from which the victims will awaken.

### The professor states he has revived many persons who have been accidentally electrocuted and declared dead by physicians.

#### Many persons executed by electrocution in the United States for murder were actually buried alive, he says, insisting that such persons should be buried in lime or cremated, to prevent their awakening in the grave.

# FOUR CITIES BID FOR CONVENTION

## Democrats to Pick Meeting Place This Afternoon

WASHINGTON. — (Associated Press).—New York and San Francisco apparently took the lead in the contest for the 1924 Democratic convention as the party's national committee convened today to select the city and fix the time.

There was a showdown of offers from New York, San Francisco, Chicago and St. Louis, prior to the convening of the committee. Representatives of the four contenders appeared before a sub-committee consisting of Clark Howell of Georgia; Charles A. Greathouse, of Indiana; and Miss Mary Archer of Pennsylvania. The sub-committee received definite financial proposals from each of the contestants and prepared a report for the full committee.

In the race between Chicago, New York, San Francisco and St. Louis, for the committee's decision, supporters of each were confident as they went to the pole at the convening of the committee, with the result expected late in the day, after a morning session devoted to routine affairs and formal presentation of the invitations.

The morning session was open, but choice of the convention site and selection of the date were to come in closed session this afternoon. The convention is expected to meet the first week of July.

# Mainly About People

**Ladies Aid society, Church of Christ, will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Harry Kollars, 860 Ritchie-av.**

**Robert Bates, 15, Lima News carrier, who suffered a fractured leg Thursday night when he fell on the icy pavement near South High School, was removed from the City Hospital to his home Monday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bates, of 1101 E. Second-st.**

**Mr. and Mrs. H. W. L. Kidder, of 728 States-st, announce the birth of a son Tuesday morning at St. Rita's hospital.**

**A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brees, Lima, R. D. 4, Tuesday at St. Rita's hospital.**

**The executive board of the Lima Boy Scout council will meet at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday at the Board of Commerce to devise plans for future activities. The annual budget, publicity campaign, camping program and other plans in the new scout executive's policy will be outlined.**

**Election of a chairman of the executive committee of the Board of Commerce will be held at noon Wednesday at the meeting of the executive committee at the Barr hotel. The committee was named at the January 11 meeting by the board of directors.**

**ROOT OPERATOR ON NEW YORK —** Elmer Root spent a quiet night following an operation yesterday. The operation was to remove a stone from the kidney.

# Will your Baking Powder make this test? DAVIS will!

PLACE one heaping teaspoon of Davis Baking Powder in a glass. Add three teaspoons of cold water. Stir quickly and remove spoon. Allow to stand two minutes and watch rising strength. Glass may be inverted and contents will not fall out. It proves Davis' unusual leavening qualities.

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# ALLEGED FORGER TAKEN HERE

Trail of an alleged forger whose activities are said to have cost great sums of money to the merchants of this section of the state, was believed to have been brought to a close Tuesday morning with the arrest of Roy Hastings, 35, 725 Holmes-av.

Hastings is being held for the police of Marion, who hold a warrant for his arrest. He is alleged to have passed a worthless check for \$100 on a Marion merchant. He was arrested in the American bank shortly before noon, by Inspector Strick and Patrolman Swaney.

# LEGISLATURE MAY BE CALLED IN SESSION

COLUMBUS — The state legislature may be called into special session to enact legislation to carry out a more comprehensive program for a new state office building than was contemplated when the original enabling act was passed last winter. It was indicated today by Attorney General Crabbe, one of the members of the building commission.

The attorney general announced today that the commission has decided that it will be impossible to carry out a building program on the present capitol site without additional legislation and if the commission finally decides to erect a new office structure on the present site it will be necessary to reconvene the assembly to pass a new law. Members of the finance and rules committee are to be summoned on the extra session proposition if the building commission decides on the present capitol site.

# MANSLAUGHTER CHARGED IN WARRANT OF UNCLE

CINCINNATI. — Charging manslaughter, Nathaniel Miller, druggist, swore to a warrant in police court today against his nephew Leo Miller, 19, of Dayton. The warrant is a sequel to the death of Nathaniel Miller's three year old son, Arthur, on December 1.

# AMUSEMENT TAX BOOST FOR BONUS PROPOSED

WASHINGTON — A proposal to increase amusement taxes to raise \$77,000,000 for a soldier bonus was made today by Senator Curtis, Kansas, Republican.

The Curtis amendment to the Mellon plan would:

Remove the tax on admissions of less than 25 cents.

Inflict a five-cent tax on admissions up to \$1.

All above \$1 admissions would be taxed 25 cents per dollar progressively.

Commensurate 50 cent increases in taxes on box seat tickets sold at places other than the theatre box office and similar increases in cabaret and roof garden taxes.

# QUARREL CAUSES AXE KILLING

(Continued from Page One)

with the suspicion that the bottom of the pit may reveal a second gruesome tragedy are aiding in removing the dirt.

Discovery Sunday of Mrs. Mohler's body in the cistern has strengthened belief in the vicinity of Bluffton that the veil of mystery surrounding the disappearance of Alfred Mohler since his escape three years ago from Toledo state hospital for criminal insane may be solved.

**ALBERT A VICTIM?**

Neighbors believe he visited the farm and was the victim of the aged murderer who committed the most horrible murder ever recorded in the annals of Allen-co.

Three years ago Albert Mohler walked away from Toledo insane asylum, according to the statement of Mrs. Elizabeth Oberly, of Bluffton, sister of the slain woman.

In 1917 shortly after he was committed to the hospital after his 11-year-old threats against the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Mohler he escaped and after days of elusiveness appeared at the farm of his parents. The father returned him to the institution.

In 1920 he walked away and escaped the guards sent after him. Rumors are current in the vicinity of Bluffton that he visited the farm

but none of the neighbors will say conclusively that they saw him.

One farmer who so far has not entered prominently in the murder mystery claims he saw some one who looked like Albert Mohler but he might have been mistaken.

**SON MISSING**

Mrs. Oberly said Monday afternoon at the home of friends in Bluffton that she has not seen Albert Mohler in over three years.

"I don't know just exactly when I saw him last but I do know I haven't seen him since his escape from Toledo insane hospital," Mrs. Oberly said.

Claim that Mr. and Mrs. Mohler were afraid of Albert was given Monday by Mrs. Oberly, who plainly showed the strains of the horrible murder of her sister.

"He threatened them and they feared for their lives," the good woman said as she sat in the home of a neighbor surrounded by friends.

Mystery of the absence of Mrs. Mohler's brother, Frank, was cleared Monday by Mrs. Oberly who said he is living in California.

According to Mrs. Oberly the brother and the rest of the family disagreed and years ago Frank Clath went west. For years he did not communicate with relatives and then a letter was received from Salem, Oregon, saying he was going to California.

Letters received later showed he was living in California but in the past few years no word has been received from him, according to Mrs. Oberly.

**SEARCH ON**

Agitation for complete search of the farm is fostered by Charles Stratton, Alva Good and Chris Gratz, all of Bluffton, the ones who found the body of Mrs. Mohler. From strange rumors in the neighborhood they have marshaled their beliefs to a central idea that the Mohler farm may reveal secrets which investigators have not thought of.

They first advanced the theory that the body of Albert Mohler would be found in the cistern and it is believed they give credence to a theory that Mrs. Mohler's brother may have returned home and met with foul play. This last rumor is generally believed, despite the statement of Mrs. Oberly.

**ALIENISTS SOUGHT**

Expert alienists will be called by

Prosecuting Attorney Eugene L. Lippincott to test the sanity of Mohler, Lippincott announced Tuesday. He was not prepared to name them at this time but said they would be recognized leaders in this line of work.

"I am going to be the first one to recognize Mohler's mental condition if the alienists can prove probable insanity," he said in discussing his action.

Indications are, however, the grand jury will be called to hear the evidence and details leading up to the finding of an indictment on the first degree murder charge will be carried thru as the no sanity hearing was contemplated.

This is, it was said, to have everything ready in case it should be impossible to prove Mohler insane. If he is found to be mentally defective it is probable he will be committed by the court to the Lima state hospital for the insane to serve a life term.

**INQUEST PLANNED**

Coroner's inquest will be held Wednesday morning. This will be more or less a formality, altho two cuts in the body, one in the abdomen and another above the heart, will be investigated by two physicians.

These cuts were not mentioned by Mohler in his confession and it is the desire of Lippincott and Coroner Frank Smith to discover whether either or both of them had anything to do with the death of the woman. This examination will be made before the funeral which will be held Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist church in Bluffton.

Possible delay in holding the inquest looms thru trouble is completing the list of witnesses.

"I have no fear of mob violence," Lippincott said Tuesday. "The good people of Bluffton are working with us and are anxious to see justice run its course."

"Mohler has confessed the crime. He is now helping us clean up the various details in order that there can be no mistake. Everything will be done to prevent his escape, altho an attempt is unlikely, and he will be punished for the deed," he added.

**NOT ABUSED**

Mohler was at no time abused or ill-treated, Lippincott said. His confession at Wapakoneta to Prosecutor Karl Timmermeister of Auglaize-county was of his own free will and accord and was not caused by either threats

or promises, he added.

Nothing in the confession hinted at the probable result of a search of the cistern in the mouth of which the body of Mrs. Mohler was found dismembered.

Bluffton residents and neighbors feel positive that the body of the son, who disappeared following his release from an insane asylum, will be found in the cistern or somewhere on the farm.

Mohler pleaded guilty to a charge of murder in the first degree in the office of Justice of the Peace W. H. Givton. He was calm and collected during the whole performance.

**MIND PREPARED**

Confession of the crime by Mohler came following the trip to Wapakoneta. On the trip south he sat between Detectives Willis Kipper and Roy Bowersock and it is believed their questions and conversation prepared his mind for the scene at the jail.

In strange surroundings and among strangers he suddenly decided to tell his story.

# WOMAN SHOT

ATLANTA, Ga. — Mrs. C. C. Cowan, was shot and seriously wounded last night by stray bullets from a little between police and rum runners. She was returning from a visit to the neighbors when the booze runners' automobile, exchanging shots with a closely pursuing police automobile dashed past.

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**54c**

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40 inch fine quality all silk in small Japanese designs yd ..

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64x82 inch White Crochet weave, medium weight Spreads ..

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Heavy mercerized damask, with blue borders, 2 Yards long ..

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## FIRST PHONES

IN 1878 Mary Beatrice Kennedy became the first telephone exchange operator in New York City. She's still plugging a switchboard in the College of St. Elizabeth at Convent Station, N. J.

Now, if you think nature has changed much, heark to Mary's memories of old times.

Before Mary took her job in 1878, "Central" was always a boy.

"I got my job," he recalls, "because the company was tired of firing its sweating boy operators. Subscribers used to come down to the telephone office to fight the operator who had sworn at them."

Phone users don't do that these days, but some of them occasionally weaken and start figuring how far the trip to "Central."

In the old days, Mary recalls, people didn't use telephone numbers. They just cranked at the box, took down the receiver and asked for Smith's drug store or Brown's grocery. And people must have been as impatient as now, for Central got an earful of abuse if there was delay in getting the desired party.

Mary says folks used to ring Central and ask the price of eggs and what kind of weather was predicted for tomorrow. The telephone companies still are toiling to break people of the habit of asking Central what time it is, where's the fire, did One-kound Gorilla knock out Battling Shoozer, or who won the ball game. The Lima company stopped giving the time only a short time ago. It still allows its operators to call you in the morning.

Mary worked short hours, for those times—only 8 in the morning until 6 at night. She had a long trip between home and office, and had to climb six flights of stairs to get to her switchboard. Who invented the elevator that ended this toil? Don't all answer at once.

## CLIMATE CHANGES

THE climate of the United States is changing. So claims Elias B. Dunn, former weather observer for New York City. Dunn says this change has been slowly but surely taking place since about 1855.

Old settlers in various parts of the country frequently make the same claim, especially in the northern and eastern states. They have in mind the very deep snows of former generations, snows so deep that horses pulled sleighs right over the tops of fences, with drifts 10 feet deep or more.

Weather Bureau officials in Washington, D. C., have disagreed. They say that climate merely moves in cycles—very warm for a while, then very hot. They check up old records and say that, if you take the weather average over periods of 10 years each, the average temperature of these periods or cycles has never varied more than a few degrees since the first official weather observations were made.

Dunn, nevertheless, is lining up with the old settlers. He is positive that the climate is changing, and he blames the big irrigation projects in the west. About 19 million acres are now under irrigation. This means a tremendous amount of moisture dammed up in what otherwise would be dry country.

Water in a dry country naturally evaporates quickly. This evaporation changes the moisture of the air and, affecting the barometric condition, generates storms which are not only local but go traveling. So, Dunn reasons, we have cloudbursts, floods and general freaks of weather.

Dammed-up water evaporates fast in a dry climate. In the Ohio valley, evaporation is 40 inches a year. It is over 100 inches a year in New Mexico, Arizona and southeastern California.

The old settlers often advance the theory that climate has been changed by the destruction of forests, which formerly stored up a lot of moisture and kept the snow from melting quickly.

About 200 people sang on a Chicago stage. This is enough singing to make 1000 neighbors mad.

"Germany at Rome's End"—headline. Many people contend the electric chair is more humane.

## 'ROUND LIMA HOUR BY HOUR

—WITH APOLOGIES—

BY OH. OH. JACKENRIM

A Page from the Diary of an Antiquated Reporter: Up betimes, to buckwheat cakes and country sausage. Came my wife, poor wretch, rubbing her eyes from so early waking.

### ABE MARTIN



"What sort of clientele have you got?" asked a show agent of Manager Crow of Hall's Club. "Not any, in town won't support one," he replied. Joe Moon was raised today before he'd hardly tapped his resources.

ing. And gave me parcels to distribute at divers places. A payee of shoes to be dyed bronze, and a payee of curtains for tree windows. Sadly dimmed by Barbara Ann and St. Rita's smoke screen. They can lay down a cover that would hide Wayne Wheeler's entire party.

To a mowery, and but some cheques against a friend's going away. And there saw Louis Koch, the brave banker, and we discoursed on German marks when we were there. He, having got trimmed and shampooed and crushed flowers, for our money. And I, the best cigars I ever did smoke, at St. Sam's money.

To the Tulls, Prof. Hume performing the ritual. The lecture on the care of false teeth, in which I was not interested at all. He, to a dentist, having been most all of Lord's day. There saw Jackie Grosse, looking fierce and fit.

Thither away, to my uncle's law-choppe, where did many things of import, albeit chatted with his brother, Willis, the great Spokane architect. Who when last here trotted Dee on his knee, which he could not now do, methinks.

Lunched, with M'seur Jacoby, the eminent Marion barnster. A friend of John Roby, the builder and loaner. At our table, were Frank Bentz, the millionaire home builder; George Herrett, the wealthy manufacturer;

Page Maus, the organ builder, and Dr. Billie Pierce, the great volleyball expert. The discourse on the banishment of the flask from pink teas and ultra-fashionable dancing parties. And the verdict, that the holders are growing bigger in style.

In the afternoon, hard at my stint, with little zeal therefore. Then benighted out to Billie Nye's shack, and picked up a sweater. Which may be handy these days, and was doing nothing worth while out there. Waved to Mrs. Johnnie Carnes, albeit she didn't tune in, so missed the wave. Hawk creek looking like the Marne river. And that Bellefontaine-ax bridge resting just opposite the refinery gate.

Dined at The Mikado. M'seur Jack not about. Took the habbit, pickles, olives, slaw salad, French potatoes under gravey, and a fruit cocktail. The chit coming to more than I had allowed. Thither out, and to Christ's church, but no lights there. So, did not go in.

In the evening, read long in the Cosmo. On the worst woman in Hollywood, who all the time was raising a small sister to be the sweetest purest little girl in the world. And coming from her knowledge that her beloved snowman was the wisest known vamp in America.

Thus, puzzled out it all, and with resolve to never condemn anybody for anything, late to bed.

## IT'S A DOG'S LIFE



## SHORT ONES

It seems natural for an oil stock salesman to be a slick article with an oily tongue.

People who naturally hate oil corporations will enjoy hearing of a big oil fire in Indiana.

About 300 barrels of beer were captured in New York, but it is too cold for beer anyway.

A woman robbing men in Toledo, O., and they object because she is robbing them by force.

Oklahoma cops are after a movie star's father, but not because he is a movie star's father.

It takes so little to make some people happy. Spokane man says he is glad he is in jail.

A bank runner is missing in Los Angeles. That's what bank runners seem to do. They run.

A thirst for knowledge helps you and so does a knowledge of what you use for your thirst.

Dr. Cure is coming back. We will see if he gets better year by year as well as day by day.

Lower wool prices are predicted for 1924, unless they pull the wool over the consumers' eyes.

Here's the Leap Year news from St. Louis: Two sisters managed to marry on the same day.

A Birmingham (Ala.) man who tried to stop an argument between two strangers will recover.

Pittsburgh apartment house burned, and this is one time tenants couldn't yell for more heat.

Meat packers claim prices are down, but butchers say they are being raised by the wholesale.

Leap Year news from Boston. Man stole \$15,000 from his wife to elope with another woman.

## LIMA NEWS HEALTH SERVICE

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief, and written in ink. Address letters to Dr. William Brady, care of The News.

—BY DR. WILLIAM BRADY—

### THIS AGE OF RUSH

An article about the heart, suggests a reader, would interest everybody in this age of rush. How can a person tell if his heart is weak, a lay person?

This is the age of sit. The rush stuff is just a harmless little label pasted on a package you're a little dillitory in delivering, or something like that. Our fondness for rush here in America is akin to our habit of kidding ourselves about our "work" and our nonchalant custom of thinking of the "high tension" of "big business" and the "nervous breakdown" from "overwork," and all that sort of thing.

Physiology will never become sufficiently popular, I fear, to overtake the silly old physiological absurdity of "nervous exhaustion"—as tho the nerves were a source of energy instead of a mere system of communication. Even medical literature is streaked thru with this and allied absurdities. There are thousands of unhappy mortals this very minute entertaining the utterly futile and untenable notion that their impaired health or incompetency is explained by "nerves" or "nervousness."

This is the age of sit. Rush? The only rush that manifests itself nowadays is the rush to get across the track before the train does.

America today unquestionably holds the world championship in long distance sitting. Thanks to the flivver, for one factor, everybody sits now to go wherever he used to walk.

The idea that the prevalence of heart disease is increasing in this country may be correct. As well as we can judge from mortality tables there does seem to be a mounting death rate from cardio-vascular disease which includes hardening of the arteries, chronic Bright's disease and apoplexy, and, most heart disease except valvular lesions, or at any rate there is not the steady decline in the death rate per hundred the sand population that is apparent in the mortality statistics of nearly all the other important diseases. But to ascribe this to our national rush or hurry is to ignore all knowledge of the nature and causes of

## JUST FOLKS

—BY FOLKIE A. GUEST—

THE UNSEEN SPIRIT  
It's the friends who come to call  
Who make bright the room and the hall.

What see you in wonder chair  
But the friends who've rested there?

Do they not still linger near  
Who have once brought laughter here?

When a friend has left your door  
Would you say he'll come no more?

Once admitted, can you say  
That he'll ever go away?

He shall come when you rejoice,  
He shall answer to your voice.

Thru the long years, smiling there,  
He shall keep his favorite chair.

And as Times shall come and go  
Many a friend these rooms shall know.

They shall live and still be known,  
Gracing everthing you own.

For the memories we hold  
Are what some call growing old.  
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## THIS LITTLE WORLD

—NEW YORK—

BY ALEXANDER HERMAN

NEW YORK—(Special)—The

sidewalks of New York. They

They elected a man governor.

They start untold hosts down a

path that's blazen crimson.

They are the playgrounds of mil-

lions.

They are the marts where more

business is transacted daily than in

the Stock Exchange.

They are the great out-doors for

thousands who never saw a tree out-

side the movies or the small city

parks.

They are the short cut to the

gutter.

They are New York. They shine on

the most distinctive feature which marks

this city from Lima and the rest

of the country.

For there are Main Streets and

Broadways everywhere. There are

large buildings and theatres, mu-

seums and galleries, markets and big

stores, churches and schools. They

may not be as large and as numerous

as those in New York, but they are

unquestionably of as much use and

interest.

But New York's sidewalks are in-

comparable.

"East Side, West Side, all around

the town," they are the pulse of the

city's life.

On Broadway in the glare of the

gay white lights, they shine on

thru the night. With the speeding

thousands hurrying by, some light-

footed and others heavy, comes the

echo tragedy and comedy.

A giddy flapper goes treading

along as light as air, as she hugs

close to her escort, dressed as a polar

bear in one of those oversized fur

coats that are the rage in college

circles.

A beggar goes slinking by, increas-

ing, is just able to shuffle along from

cup of coffee.

A nervous dowager, fat and puff-

ing, is just able to shuffle along from

the door of her limousine to the

door of the theatre.

A dirty-faced urchin comes scam-

pering along.

And then later in the night—

The Tenderloin rounders so-reeling

along, after a revel that should be-

come monotonous to them.

The steady stamp of the cop on the

beat.

And the rapid thump-thump of the

newsboy on the corner trying to keep

warm.

But it is down on the East Side

that the sidewalks are most alive.

There in the evenings, when the

weather permits, stand tables on the

street. And around them sit the

intelligentsia sipping tea as they dis-

cuss the topics of the moment. It

is a bit of Vienna of the old days.

And in the daytime, stand the

push-cart peddlers beating a tattoo on

the curbstones as they cry the merits

of their wares. It is like an orien-

al bazaar.

With the late afternoon comes a

race of fleeting feet hurrying home

from school, and then out again.

To shoot marbles, or craps. If the

cops—or the mothers—are't look-

ing. And in the evening, when the

folstaps grow quiet—As the boys

stand on the corners. Getting a

new insight into life.

Down-town in the heart of Big

Business, the rapid rush beats on

long sound as the feet go hurrying

by. All day long.

But at nightfall comes a muffling

until there is hardly a sound at

midnight, along the deep alleys alive

with human ants during the day.

Then starts the rumble anew.

With the shuffling along of old wo-

men, and men who come to work

during the night while others sleep.

It gains in volume as morning

comes. And the day tollers come

hurrying along again.

Keeping the sidewalks alive.

Alive with New York speeding

on. And on.

## A Thought

He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life; but he that openeth his lips shall have destruction. —Prov. 13:3.

He who seldom speaks, and with one well-timed word can strike dumb the loquacious, is a genius or a hero.—Lavater.

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IN A LEGATEE'S SHOE

BEGIN HERE TODAY

A novelist seeks nocturnal adventure. He walks up Viking Square where he sees an elderly English parson standing on the steps of a house. When the maid sees him she jumps down the steps and with a gasp cries: "Oh, Mr. Charlie, you've come at last." The novelist allows himself to be led into the house in which he finds a very comfortable bed.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

"Of course you can," I went on in a reasonable voice. "Can't you see that I am rather an adventurer? If I weren't, should I have taken the risk of entering alone and unarmed a strange house? When your maid called me Charlie, shouldn't I have told her she'd made a mistake and gone on? Come, tell me what this is about, and I'll help you if I can."

Then, after a hesitation, a twinkle came into the old man's eyes: "All right, I will. Tho it would have been better if you'd said nothing. It would have been more adventurous."

"If I'd said nothing," I replied, "I should have known less than I'm going to know now, and the adventure would have been less worth while. Now Mr. . . . Smith, shall we say, tell me what you want me to do."

After a pause, he began, first embarrassed, then fluent: "Look here, I hope you won't think this very unconventional, but it simply couldn't be helped. The situation is this: My sister, who is supposed to be your aunt, is lying upstairs very, very ill indeed. She is older than I am, over seventy, and has been in delicate health for some time. Unfortunately, this afternoon, as she was coming downstairs, she slipped, and has broken two ribs. The doctor has been twice and will be coming again a little later on, I think. But he says that at her age it's practically hopeless, that she can't live."

"Yes," I said, "I see. But why do you?"

"Well . . ." he seemed a little embarrassed. "It's like this. She's very weak because she's lost a lot of blood; you see, I forgot to tell you that in falling she also got a deep cut across the forehead, just over the eyes. Now, you see, now you see," he went on excitedly, "that's what makes it possible."

"Makes what possible?" I asked in a puzzled tone.

"Of course, I hadn't told you. I'm sorry, but my brain's rather muddled. What is the matter is that she is asking for my boy Charlie. He's always been her favorite. You see, she never married, so he's been like a son to her. And she wants awfully badly to say goodbye to him before she dies."

"Oh! I understand. So that's why . . ."

"Yes, of course. I do hope you'll excuse this, but I told Pomfrey to stop any young man she met, a young man whose voice would be . . . well, the kind of voice she'd expect to hear." He stopped, panting, his excitement making him speechless.

"All right," I said. "What you want me to do is to see her and impersonate Mr. Charlie. I'm willing to make her happy, poor old lady. But, by the way, she'll know me."

"No, of course, she won't. Didn't I tell you, owing to that cut in the forehead, her eyes are bandaged. Now . . ."

At that moment there was a ring at the bell. The elderly man swore under his breath, went to the door and opened it. There entered a large man whose black bag and frock coat exposed him as the doctor.

"Oh, Doctor," said the man, in a hesitating tone. "I didn't expect you so early again."

I heard vague whispered remarks. I gathered that, tho the chances were small, the doctor had thought well to return early. At last my host came back to me and said: "I do hope you'll forgive me. But you won't be long, doctor, will you? No? But, look here," he went on, addressing me again. "I wonder if you'd mind waiting ten minutes, not more, perhaps only five, in the dining room? Just a moment, doctor, please."

I found myself in the dining room, seated at a table on which were decanters of brandy and whisky, while the footsteps of the two men echoed up the stairs. "Well," I thought, "now you've done it." When I looked about me, the effect of luxury was carried out on a larger scale, by pictures, one of which, without the slightest doubt was a Rembrandt. I wondered what actually I had been brought in for. I did not believe my host. That he should bring me in to comfort an old lady at her last hour, that he should pick any stranger from the street in this pious attempt would be believable only if he loved his sister beyond description. But there had been a word of love, no signs of agony. He was not sitting with her when I arrived. He was quite willing to leave her. It wasn't that; it was something else, something darker.

It was at that moment that I became conscious of a sound in the distance. A regular sound. As if somebody were driving a nail. I listened anxiously. I could not hear it again. Next door, perhaps. Absurd! People didn't drive in nails at three o'clock in the morning. There it was again, faint, but persistent. I tiptoed to the doorway and listened. It came persistently, a muffled, regular sound. Suddenly I had the instinct rather than the certainty that the person who was making the sound could have made a louder sound, that the person was afraid, was throwing out a signal. The conviction rushed into my mind that, somewhere, somebody was locked up, and was faintly tapping at the door, having heard me come, fearfully seeking release. I listened. I could not locate the sound at first. Then I realized that it came from the back of the hall. Still on tiptoe, I went out into the hall and opened a door at the end. This led only into a little washing place. It was behind me now. Of course; the room behind the dining room. I tried the handle; the door was locked! And, as I touched the handle, the tapping within became louder, grew more rapid, more feeble. The key was in the lock. Evidently everybody in the house was in the plot to keep the person within. I turned the key; before me, lit up by strong lights, stood a woman, aged about forty, her mouth quivering, her face stained with tears. She was so breathless with excitement that at first she could not speak. Her appearance surprised me. I saw that she was more than forty, but she had a strange, tragic beauty, and was clad in an evening frock of which I could recognize the fashion and the price. About her neck, too, were several rows of pearls. There expressed a cruel contrast between the luxury of her appearance and the expression of her features. She was faded and wrinkled, and her cheeks were set with tears, but I could see by the straightness and delicacy of the nose the shape of the lips, and the length of the eyelashes, that this woman had once been beautiful. Perhaps a long life of suffering had ruined her loveliness.

"Oh," she murmured, "thank you for letting me out." I was minded to ask her why she had locked her in, but knew that she would tell me more easily if I kept silence. "I heard everything," she went on in a rapid murmur. "I heard them bring you in."

"Yes, of course," I went on, adding provocatively: "I'm Charlie."

She had actually jumped back, and spread her hands before her, as if fearing a blow. "Don't," she whispered. "Please . . . don't say you're the same as they, that you're in the plot."

"No, of course not," I replied. "I shouldn't have have let you out if I had been. I'm only a stranger brought in to see an old lady upstairs who's dying, just to give her pleasure for a moment."

The fear had gone out of her eyes. She half smiled: "Oh, surely you don't believe that," she said.

"Then what am I to believe?"

She looked me up and down, as if estimating me, as if trying to guess at my locality. Then, with a shrug of the shoulders, as if she were desperate, and must confide in a stranger, she said:

"I'll tell you everything. I can't do any harm, and perhaps you can help."

The lady you're going to see is my mother."

"Lies, all lies. Are you surprised?"

"Well . . . not exactly. Go on."

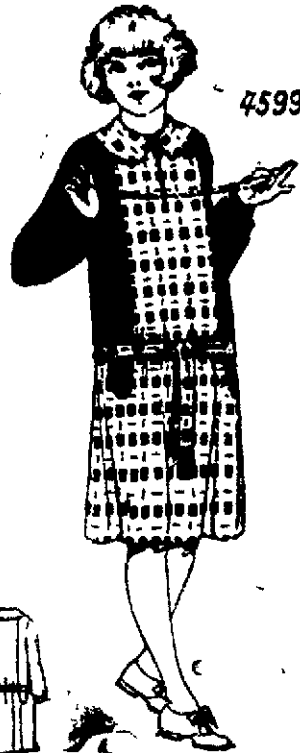
"The man you've seen," the woman went on, "is not my mother's brother at all. He's her third cousin, and he's bad, bad. There's only one man worse, and that's Charlie, his son. Oh, it makes me weep to think how my mother had always loved Charlie." In a tearful tone, she had every chance, but he's always been like that. He was expelled from school, sent down from college . . . for stealing. He's been in gaol twice. And what's more . . . after all, he's my cousin."

She was quite close to me, so I took her hand and held it fast, suggesting sympathy. It must be painful for her to tell a stranger such a story, even of a distant relative. "Go on," I said. "You'd better tell me everything."

"I will. Do you know why they want him tonight? It isn't just to please mother. They'd kill her if they dared. If they weren't frightened of the doctor. No! Mother's always been fond of Charlie, and when she made her will she left him something for himself. She makes him call her Auntie. But during the last few years she has hated me."

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TON TO BEATRICE HUM-  
SHAW CONTINUED . . . . .

You know, Bee, Sam wouldn't show himself to any other person as untidy as he does to me for anything in the world, yet I can fully understand his attitude and if he were alone he would be all right.

This may seem to you a very foolish little thing, and perhaps there are people in the world who love each other so devotedly, so passionately, that they can clothe each other exquisitely in their imaginations and blind their material eyes to all slovenliness and imperfection I can't do it.

All this, my dear, is a kind of prelude to tell you I think Sam and I have come to the parting of the ways. We haven't told each other this yet, but I am sure I hope him quite as much as he does me. He has a sort of ashamed feeling that will not let him confess this to me, but I know when he begins to tell me what a wonderful wife I was to him during all the time he was blind, he is trying to save his conscience for not being able to keep from thinking now that he wishes I were miles away.

We never did have anything in common except the glamor of sex attraction. Isn't nature impossibly malevolent? She pays no attention to our cries—afterward. She shows no pity for our unhappy state. She must know that after she has brought us together and her work is done she has sentenced us to long

least, it would seem so if it wasn't Leslie's husband, I'd rather be among strangers.

Now my dear, I come to the end of the whole matter. All the other stuff that I have been writing to you is only a prelude. Would you not? If I can go there without making Leslie feel that she must love after my soul well-being I should like to do it. In other words, if I could go as a stranger and just live my life as I want to, it looks to me now as tho it would be ideal.

By the way, dear, when we are going to Los Angeles and Harry and Sam and I are ruining both our lives by trying to live together longer. He is growing belligerent and arrogant and I am growing morose and even-tempered. I am losing my sense of humor, which is fatal. Sam never had one.

Now I have a chance to go into the office of Leslie's husband, Jack Emerson Knox to John Alden Press, Prescott. This seems a way out—at least—truth about Jack's mother.

Attractively yours,  
SALLY

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HER HOME

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will entertain the members of Thursday Evening Bridge club  
her home, Wednesday evening.

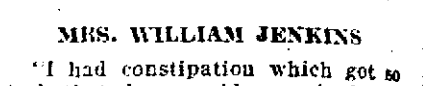
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# JEROME'S DEATH LIKELY TO END FISTIC ENCOUNTERS

## Local Boxer Decides Not To Meet Jakey. Earl Smith Finds Clever Substitute

### Pepper Bream Backs Out Of Match With Gross. Peppers Takes His Place

Pepper Bream, because of both his own and his manager's decision, has decided to back out of a boxing match with Earl Smith, which was to have taken place at the Orpheum, Jan. 11. Earl Smith has made known his intention of fighting a boxer that is now up to him to find. Why he decided to do this is not known. It is supposed that thru his being disappointed in the fight with Gross, a few days ago, he is now in a bad condition. The manager of the fight, Earl Smith, has decided to back out of the fight with Gross, and if Bream is to back out, he will order his suspension. As far as this is concerned, and other state boards working in conjunction, he would not be granted a license, which would make it hard for him.

But the fight card will go on, and Earl Smith, manager for the fight, has just informed the Lima News that he has arranged for Peppers to take the place of Bream. Peppers comes from Cleveland, and is a mighty good boy at 155 pounds, and while there was much interest centered in the Gross

### MASTER MINDS OF BASEBALL OFTEN FAIL IN PINCH



(By Billy Evans) — where it would be hardest to hit. COMBS BRAINY PITCHER. Despite the fact that Combs was the master-mind type when on the rubber, a certain situation once came up in a game at Philadelphia which proved that brains can sometimes go a rambling. During the recent world series I had a chat with Thomas and it so happened in discussing Combs, both of us called the peculiar incident. Here it is.

It was the last half of the ninth, with the bases filled, two out, two strikes and three balls on the batter. The Athletics leading by one run. Of course everything hinged on the next ball pitched.

Thomas crouched, gave a signal to Combs, only to have the pitcher shake his head. The performance, when Jack Combs pitched to that was repeated several times. Finally, disgruntled at the delay, in the last work out to win, Thomas, knew the weakness of every batter, and made a careful selection of what was best to pitch. In addition, Jack Combs put much thought into his work. He served the batter, Combs was more than a mere thrower, he was a pitcher, who tried to put every ball just

### Boxing In Empire State Tottering As Lawmakers Consider Repealing Law

(By Henry L. Farrell) — NEW YORK — (United Press) — with the introduction of two bills at Albany asking for the repeal of the boxing law and a third calling for investigation of the boxing commission, general uneasiness for the future of the game is felt here as a result of the death of Frankie Jerome.

Even the more optimistic of those who have the "interest" of the business at heart, feel that nothing but a valiant defense of the game by Senator James J. Walker, can save it.

From a reliable source, it was learned Tuesday that Walker, disgusted with the game that he restored to legal standing in New York will not raise his voice, or lift a finger, if the legislature wants to repeal his bill.

The death of Jerome, following a boxing contest in Madison Square Garden last week, is regarded as the blow that killed all chances to revive a business that was already rocky.

There has been no disposition here to hold "Bud" Taylor, the Terre Haute boxer, who appeared against Jerome, responsible for either the death of his opponent or the imminent demise of the sport. It was generally known in boxing circles here that Jerome was in bad condition as a result of an automobile accident several months ago and punishment in two bouts after his recovery.

Eddie Long, manager of Taylor, said that he knew Jerome was in very bad condition after the eighth and when he saw that the bout was to continue, he ordered Taylor not to lead at his opponent's head.

Taylor confined his attack to the body in the twelfth round.

Lou Brix, who succeeded Billy Gibson as Jerome's manager, some time ago, said he wanted to toss in the towel after the tenth round, but that Jerome objected violently, saying that he was not in such bad shape, that he could stall thru two more rounds and escape the clutches of a knockout on his record.

The district attorney's office is holding a formal investigation Tuesday afternoon.

Taylor, Long and other officials of the commission, have been asked to be present.

Following the opinion of Dr. Charles Norris, chief medical examiner for the city, that the death of Jerome was accidental, it is thought that the district attorney will not order Taylor to be held for charges of manslaughter.

Jerome is to be buried Thursday morning from St. Jerome's Catholic church from which he had taken his ring name. Taylor, who was on the point of collapse is to attend the solemn requiem mass.

Reports that Jerome left a destitute family, were denied by his manager, who said that he owned property in the Bronx, and had a good bank account.

### Lafayette Is Victor Over Bluffton

Lafayette defeated the Bluffton team at Bluffton Saturday night. The game was one of the most exciting that has ever been seen on the local floor. The game resulted in a victory for Lafayette by a score of 28 to 26. The score at the end of the first half was 7 to 15 in favor of Bluffton. The second half both teams played fast and furious, and with the score 16 to 19 in favor of Bluffton, it seemed as if Bluffton would surely win. Lafayette, however, did not give up but played the harder, and in the very last minute of the game, Lafayette thru brilliant play won the game for the victor.

### BOWLING

#### At Recreation Alleys

The Bowling Association of Lima has just completed its annual tournament. The tournament was held at the Recreation Alleys and was a great success. The winners of the tournament were the team consisting of Jack Combs, Tommie Thomas, and Jack Lapp. They won the tournament by a score of 1200 to 1100.

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### AMONG THE CAGERS

#### BUSINESS COLLEGE BUSY

The Lima Business College, which meets at Bluffton College at Hawley Hall on Thursday night, is undergoing hard practice this week in preparation for the game. Coach Hausenstein is nightly drilling his men on new plays which they will use against the Monmouths. Bluffton beat Lima on a Bluffton floor earlier in the season by four points, but with the advantage of playing on a Lima floor the local team believe can turn the tables. Bluffton's offensive attack is centered around Hottelster, center. This player has starred in every game of the season with his sensational shots from all angles of the floor. If Lima can stop him, they can beat the invaders.

#### SOUTH MEETS VAN WERT

Down at South Hill the cagers are busy preparing to meet Van Wert. Last team on the latter's floor Friday night. Coach Burdette shifted his lineup considerably in practice Monday night, but he did this to give his regulars a much needed rest after the hard battle with Akron. Well, last Friday. With two defeats, the south basketball team will try to put the coming game on the right side of the column. South has always had hard luck against the Van Wert team this year is confident of breaking the jinx. Ada Hiss last team, which is after state championship honors, beat Van Wert last Friday night by a 42 to 31 victory.

#### AT SIDNEY

The Lima Y. M. C. A. team will leave Lima Wednesday afternoon for Sidney, where the local gym will meet one of Sidney's church teams in the evening. Seven players, Evans, Hiss, Vere, White, Peugh, Kame, Poling and Cotner will make the team. The Sidney team will play the local team return game here on January 24.

#### ADA PLAYS REHEARSAL

ADA, Ohio. (Special to The Lima News) — Ohio Northern's basketball team, with a conference victory last night, will take on Heidelberg University here Friday night. Both teams are evenly matched as both are undefeated. Antioch College, the favorite, is in with a team of players that is sure to prove a real challenge. The last game scheduled will be between the Cardinals and the Locos. It is certain that all three games will be well worth seeing. The first game will be called at 7:15. Claude Walker will referee.

#### Vet Catchers Will Coach

The veteran catchers, Hank Cowdy and Edie Albers, will be used almost entirely by the Giants this year to develop the many young pitchers McGraw has under contract.

### INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

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### RIGHT FIELD FOLLIES

#### True Baseball Stories for the Hot Stove League

##### By An Old Leaguer

Here is a story that happened some few years ago in the three leagues and shows that there are some ball players that "even lose their head." Paul Crouch, was a pitcher for the Decatur team and "Moon" Bryan was the catcher. In this particular game, it does not matter who they were playing against, there was a runner on first base. "Moon" signaled for a wide ball so that he could catch the runner going down to second. He went a straight wide one, instead Crouch pitched a wide curve ball, which "Moon" caught with his bare hand. The runner started and "Moon" threw, not exactly at second base but at Crouch. The ball hit him in the head and knocked him down and unconscious. When he woke up he found "Moon" dancing over his prostrate body, howling just about as loud and wild as a Comanche Indian. "I'll teach you to throw a curve ball when I motion for a straight one."

He kept yelling this while the base runner was pounding it for third. "I'll teach you; I'll teach you."

### In Squared Circle

BALTIMORE — Bobby Carrel knocked out Frankie Rice in the ninth round of their scheduled 12 round bout. They are former weights of Baltimore.

NEW YORK — Kid Wilford, Baltimore, former heavyweight champion, won the decision in a 12 round bout with Charles Goodman in 12 rounds.

MEMPHIS — Battling Siki won a 12 round bout with Young Norfolk, New Orleans, in eight rounds.



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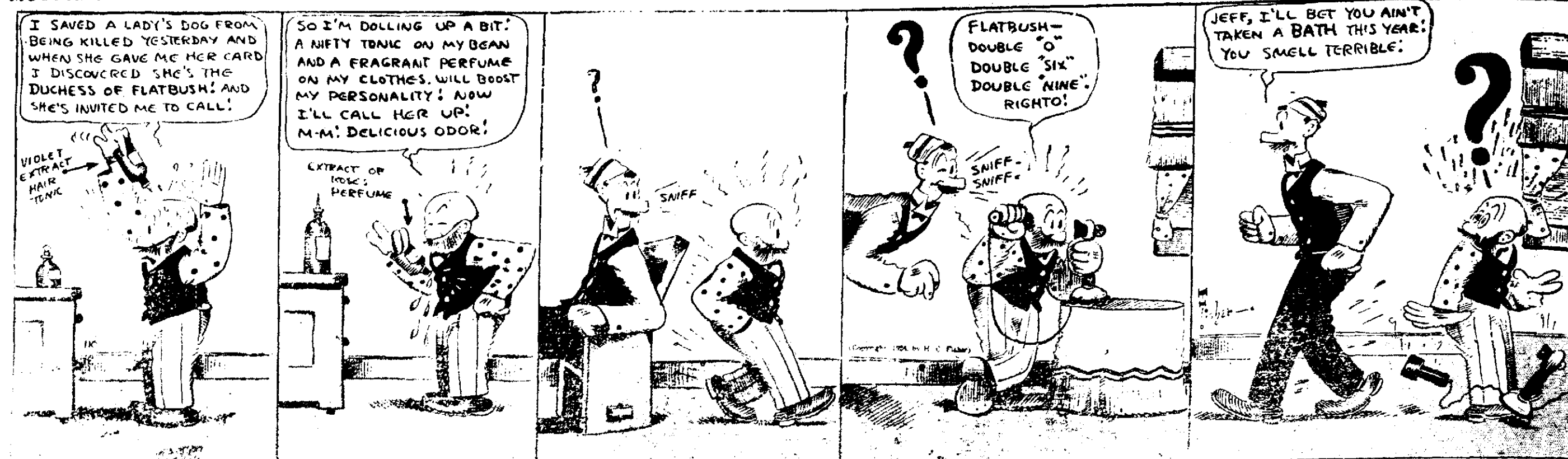






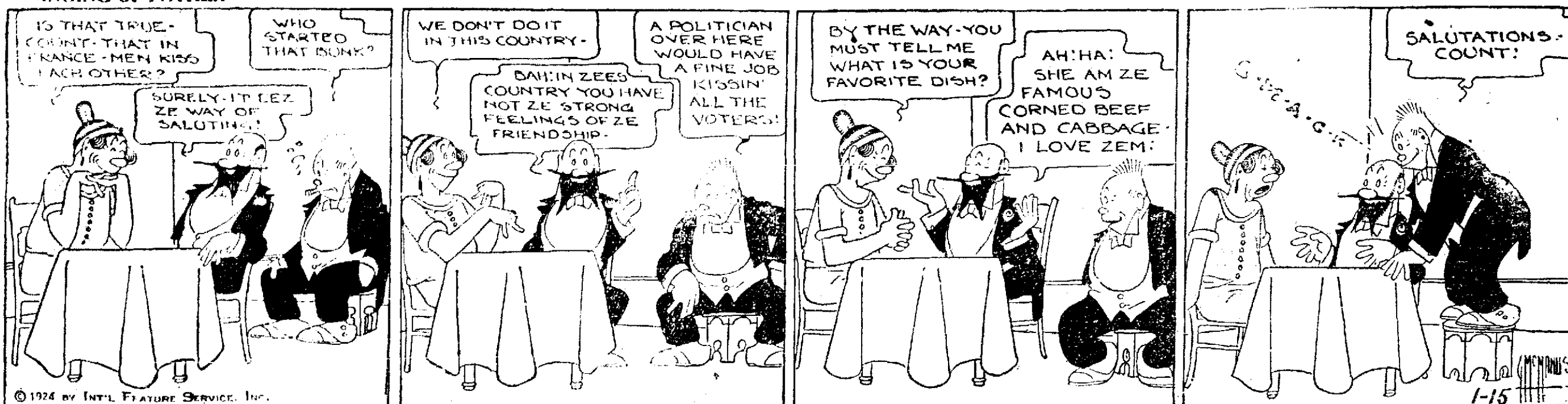


## MUTT AND JEFF—WHEN A GUY'S IN LOVE HE GETS SILLY—



## BRINGING UP FATHER

By McMANUS



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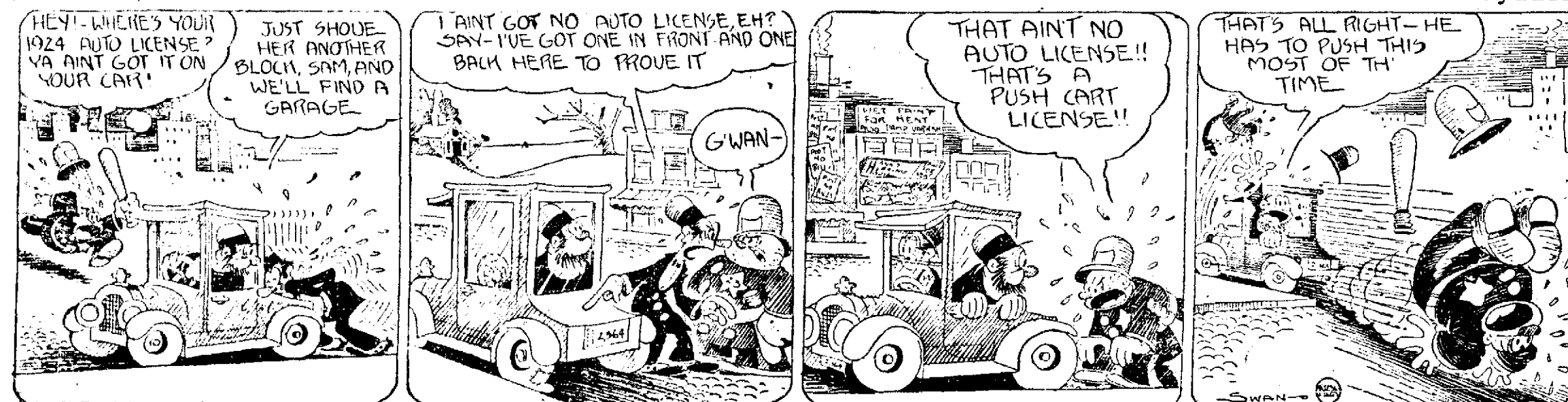
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